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I. Summary of Work Accomplished

One aspect of the research work was focused on the effects of noise as a driving force in various nonlinear dynamical systems. Effects studied were postponements of bifurcations^{1,12}, state dependent diffusion², a mean first passage time in a system with both random temporal forcing in a random potential³, a mean first passage time problem with colored noise⁴.

A second aspect involved studies on switching properties of nonlinear systems in the presence of noise⁵, and a special application of the results to a noise quenched, correlated, spontaneous emission laser⁷.

A third major effort was devoted to studies on stochastic resonance (SR), with a remark on the theory⁸, a long work on the use of analog simulations in studies of SR^{9,11}, a study on order and disorder in SR¹⁰.

At this point, a study was done on noise induced topological transitions in the two-dimensional stationary probability density of an archetypal bistable system¹³.

Finally, a new quantity was introduced to general studies on SR: the escape time probability distribution, wherein the theory, digital and analog simulations were accomplished¹⁴. These new studies hold great promise for applications in a number of fields, including the creation of a deeper understanding of how noise assisted information is transmitted in biological neurons.

The superscripted citation numbers above refer to the Index of Publications listed in III below.

II. Index of Technical Reports

No technical reports were published during this period.

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III. Index of Publications

The following is a list of scientific papers published with support from this contract. This technical report is comprised of all papers cited below.

1. "Swept parameter induced postponements and noise on the Hopf bifurcation,"
Phys. Rev. A. 36 1492 (1987) (with Fronzoni and McClintock).
2. "Analog simulation of a simple system with state dependent diffusion,"
J. Stat. Phys. 54, 1411 (1989) (with K. Sinha)
3. "Mean First Passage Time in Random Fields", Phys. Rev. A
38 571 (1988) Rapid Communications (with A. Engel)
4. Comment on First Passage Time Calculations for Colored Noise Driven
Bistable Systems," Phys. Lett. A. 131, 322 (1988) (with F.
Marchesoni)
5. "Switching in the Presence of Noise: The Decay of an Unstable State,"
Phys. Rev. A 38, 4690 (1988) (with M. James, P. Hanggi and
C. Van der Broeck)
6. "Giorgio Careri: The Early Years and the Birth of Low Temperature
Physics in Italy", invited biographical sketch, J. Molec. Liquids,
41, 1 (1989) Special Issue in Honor of G. Careri.
7. "Noise Quenching in the Correlated Spontaneous-Emission Laser as a
Multiplicative Noise Process: The Role of Colored Noise",
Phys. Rev. A 41, 3950 (1990) (with James, Habiger, Risken and
Schleich).
8. "Remark on Stochastic Resonance", Phys. Rev. A 39, 4323 (1989)
(with Debnath and Zhou)
9. "The Use of Analog Simulation in Studies on Noise Driven Nonlinear
Dynamical Systems", Invited Review, Proceedings of the 10th Intern.
Conference on Noise in Physical Systems, Budapest, Hungary August
1989 (Akademiai Kiado, Budapest 1990)
10. "Stochastic Resonance: How Increasing the Noise Can Result in More
Order", Proceedings of the 10th Intern. Conference on Noise in
Physical Systems, Budapest, Hungary, August 1989 (Akademiai Kiado,
Budapest 1990)
11. "Analog Simulations of Stochastic Resonance", Phys. Rev. A 41,
4255 (1990) (with Zhou)
12. "The influence of colored noise on Hopf-bifurcating systems", in
Irreversible Processes and Selforganization, Teubner-Texte zur
Physik, band 23, edited by W. Ebeling and H. Ulbricht, Teubner-
Verlag, Leipzig, 1989 (with Schmera and Schimansky-Geier).

13. "Holes in the two-dimensional probability density of strongly colored noise driven bistable systems" Phys. Rev. A **42**, 703 (1990) (with Debnath, Leiber, Risken and Marchesoni)
14. "Escape time distributions of a periodically modulated bistable system with noise" Phys. Rev. A, **42**, 3161, 1990 (with Zhou and Jung)

REPORT OF INVENTIONS AND SUBCONTRACTS

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OMB NO. 0704-0016

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